

**March 17, 2005**

**HARLAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LOCAL/STATE BOARD FACILITIES HEARING REPORT**

A Local/State public hearing was held at the Harlan Independent Support Complex on March 17, 2005, at 5:30 p.m. (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the Harlan Independent Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 12-0 in favor of the proposed new plan and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the new plan.

There were 3 individuals in attendance. Timothy K. Lucas, Division of Facilities Management, served as the state-appointed hearing officer. Superintendent David Johnson and Matthew Brooks, representing Luca/Schwering Architects, were present.

**COMMENTS**

Mr. Johnson called the public hearing to order and welcomed those in attendance. The hearing officer outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. It was explained that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. It was also noted all considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer read the proposed new District Facility Plan. It calls for priority projects to include: major renovation and additions to the Harlan Elementary, Middle/High School and the a new Sunshine Preschool in the first biennium and phase II major renovation to the Harlan Elementary, Middle/High School and the Community Learning Center in the second biennium. In addition the plan calls for the construction of a new central office, central storage and bus garage. Discretionary Projects include construction of a new weight room, field house, concession stand, toilets, baseball and softball field lights, renovation of the track and baseball bleachers and the construction of a new daycare facility.

The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement. Mr. Johnson noted that the plan reviewed by the Department did not include some language that was added by the LPC. A review of the changes noted minor corrections that will be made to the plan.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the new District Facility Plan developed by the Harlan Independent Local Planning Committee and adopted by the Harlan Independent Board of Education be approved as the District Facility Plan for the Harlan Independent School District. A copy of the new plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy K. Lucas, Hearing Officer

cc: Mark W. Ryles, Director  
Planning File

Attachments: Local/State Board Public Hearing Agenda  
Harlan Ind. School District Facility Plan